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	B7 FAMILY (as amended)		

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir: In response to the Office action mailed February 28, 2007, entry and consideration of the following remarks and amendments is requested:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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- 27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the binding of the test compound to the polypeptide is detected by a method selected from the group consisting of:
 - a) direct detection of test compound/polypeptide binding;
 - b) a competition binding assay; and
 - c) a two-hybrid assay or three-hybrid assay.
- 28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the test compound is labeled.
- 29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28, wherein the label is selected from the group consisting of a radioisotope label and an enzymatic label.
- 30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the polypeptide is a fusion protein further comprising heterologous sequences.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the binding of the test compound to the polypeptide is detected by a method selected from the group consisting of:
 - a) cytokine production assay; and
 - b) T-cell proliferation assay.
- 32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.
- 33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the polypeptide is encoded by the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:3 or SEQ ID NO:21.